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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

April 26, 1954



MEMORANDUM FOR THE MSC PLANNING BOARD

SUBJECT:

Preparation and Use of Financial Appendices in Connection with Policy Recommendations by the National Security Council

REFERENCE:

Memorror MSC, "Preparation and Use of Financial Data in Connection with Mational Security

Council Procedures," July 23, 1953.

The enclosed draft statement on the subject, prepared as a result of collaboration among officials of the Department of Defense, the Foreign Operations Administration, the Bureau of the Budget, and the MSC Staff, is transmitted for consideration by the MSC Planning Board as a proposed substitute for the approved statement circulated by the reference memorandum of July 23, 1953.

The enclosure is tentatively scheduled on the Planning Board agenda for Thursday, April 29, item 2. (1500)

JAMES S. LAY, Jr. Executive Secretary



PREPARATION AND USE OF FINANCIAL APPENDICES IN CONNECTION WITH POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Introduction

- 1. The President has directed that recommendations by the National Security Council include information as to the costs of the programs necessary to carry out such policy. Accordingly, each policy paper presented by the Council, with certain exceptions, will contain a Financial Appendix prepared to conform with this instruction. The exceptions to this instruction include (1) policy proposals having no or only minor cost implications; (2) policy proposals relating to programs of a particularly sensitive nature for which special arrangements have been made.
- which the paper proposes. Where significant changes in an existing programs are shown in the Financial Appendix, they must be beautured related to the policy proposal or explained in the assumptions. The Financial Appendix should not in itself presume to dispose of policy issues.

Information to be Included in a Financial Appendix

- 3. The Financial Appendix should present:
- a. Cost estimates to carry out the policy based on the best available information at the time of preparation, i.e. estimated expenditures during the first 4 years or the life of each program, whichever is appropriate for a significant estimate. In some cases, it will not be possible to estimate cost with precision.

In many cases, estimates of cost may necessarily be very rough and where appropriate may be expressed as arrangeq.

- Other pertinent financial data, if any, bearing on magnitude of the program, such as prior expenditures, existing capital investment, available appropriations, etc.
- A statement of the degree to which the costs <u>c</u>. are consistent with current programming (in a above) under approved policies.
- A statement of the degree to which the additional costs estimated in \underline{c} above can be offset by the reduction or elimination of any other approved programs.
- Any assumptions necessary to explain the basis upon which the foregoing estimates and statements are made.
- 4. Every Financial Appendix submitted to the Council will bear the following standard caption:

Cost estimates in the Financial Appendix indicate order of magnitude. Approval of the policy doesnot-indicates approval of specific cost. estimates.

Appropriations and expenditures to finance the policy will be subject to review in the regular budgetary process.

5. In general, all Financial Appendices will follow the form of the attached Financial Appendix. In any case where the attached form of Financial Appendix is not suited to the substance of a policy statement, the National Security Council Staff will be responsible for outlining a form appropriate to the occasion.

Procedures for Preparation of Financial Appendices

6. <u>Departments and Agencies</u>

- When a proposed policy relates to matters principally within the responsibility of the drafting one agency, the initial draft policy paper will be accome panied by a Financial Appendix.
- In other cases, the initial draft of a policy statement, submitted by the drafting agency for circulation to the members of the Planning Board, will not be accompanied by a Financial Appendix.
- Immediately following the circulation of the <u>c</u>. initial draft of policy statement, each interested department or agency will cost that section of the statement affecting its activities, in accordance with the ware attached form of Financial Appendix and other instruct tions noted above, and will transmit the same to the National Security Council Staff.

National Security Council Staff

- The National Security Council Staff will consolidate the financial data so received from each interested department and agency and will circulate the consolidated Financial Appendix to the members of the Planning Board.
- The National Security Council Staff will be responsible for coordinating the views of all the departments and agencies involved, including the Bureau

of the Budget, on the initial and succeeding drafts of the consolidated Financial Appendix, with a view to having available an agreed Financial Appendix when the policy paper is ready to be issued to the Council.

8. Bureau of the Budget

- <u>a.</u> The Bureau of the Budget will advise and assist the National Security Council Staff in the functions under "7." above.
- <u>b</u>. If the Bureau of the Budget determines that the cost estimate of any department or agency differs substantially from the Bureau's cost estimate, the Bureau will discuss the differences with the National Security Council Staff and the department or agency in an attempt to arrive at an agreement.
- c. If the policy statement under consideration involves expenditures of an agency not represented on the Planning Board, the Bureau of the Budget will identify such agency.

9. Planning Board

- <u>a</u>. The Planning Board will consider all financial information concerning a policy statement before making its recommendations to the National Security Council.
- <u>b</u>. In the case of a conflict of views as to cost estimates, the Planning Board may either defer consideration of the proposed policy statement pending further examination of the cost estimates or proceed on the basis of the available information. In any case of

conflict of views relative to cost estimates, the Planning Board will submit to the National Security Council a summary thereof.

c. In case a department or agency indicates the cost to carry out any aspect of the proposed policy statement will be an additional expenditure, the Planning Board will take this into consideration in making its policy recommendations to the Council.

10. Council Consideration

The National Security Council will consider all financial information transmitted to it by the Planning Board in presenting its recommendations to the President.

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FINANCIAL APPENDIX

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Cost estimates in the Financial Appendix indicate order of magnitude.

Approval of the policy paper does not indicate approval of specific cost estimates.

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SUMMARY

- 1. Estimated expenditures for FY _____ through FY _____ total \$ _____ million. (Table I)
- 2. Based on the current programming of appropriations already made through FY 1954 and requested for FY 1955, and on estimated expenditures in those Fiscal Years, there would be an unexpended balance of \$\pi\$ million at the end of FY 1955 available for future expenditure. (Table II)
- Special Notes: a. All estimates are subject to the assumptions, footnotes, and detailed comments shown below in this Financial Appendix.
 - b. In order to cover the lead time required in some programs, funds must be made available well in advance of expenditures.
 - c. Amounts programmed as funds available are subject to future Executive decisions to transfer funds from one program to another, and to Congressional decisions on current appropriation requests.

ASSUMPTIONS

ESTIMATED COST OF THE PROPOSED POLICIES

Table I. Expenditures by Programs

FY 195_ - FY 195_ (Millions of Dollars)

	Actual Expenditures			Estimated Expenditures				
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Military Assistance Economic Assistance Technical Assistance Information Services Educational Exchange Other Programs			•					
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Note: 1. All programs or activities necessary to implement the proposed policy should be included. Those shown above are illustrative only.

2. If the policy proposed envisions different alternatives, a comparable table of the estimated cost for each alternative should be prepared, e.g., oil settlement or no oil settlement; EDC or no EDC; etc.

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Table II. Availability of Funds in Relation to Expenditures

FY __ - FY ___ (Millions of Dollars)

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DEGAMED DISCUSSION

Programs and Activities as Listed in Table I

1. MILITARY ASSISTANCE:

Force goals (if not included in Staff Study); equipment programs; status and rates of delivery; OSP factors; expenditures for troops or for construction or maintenance not included in Table I which have an important bearing on the U. S. policy or objectives in the country or area concerned, etc.

2. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE:

Factors affecting the level and future of assistance; programs involving surplus commodities additional to Table I; loans; variables; Battle Act or East-West Trade factors; etc.

3. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

Types of assistance included; variables affecting the level and future of technical assistance; United Nations or other related activity, etc.

4. INFORMATION SERVICES:

Types of services included; quantitative data affecting the level, type and future of services; etc.

5. EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE:

Number of persons involved in study program in U. S. and abroad, categories from which drawn: i.e. students, teachers, civic leaders, etc.; authorizing legislation and financing, etc.

6. ANY OTHER PROGRAMS:

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